

## NEWS AND EVENTS

- [Strengthening University-Private Sector Partnerships in Agriculture – The Fifth RUFORUM Biennial Conference and African Higher Education Week, 17-21 October 2016, Cape Town, South Africa](#)
- [The MasterCard Foundation and RUFORUM Invest in Innovative Agricultural Training in Africa](#)
- [Meet Rose Nangonzi: Producing virus free planting materials for cassava farmers](#)
- [RUFORUM partners with AWARD to strengthen leadership skills for research scientists and university staff in Africa](#)
- [African universities need bankable ideas](#)
- [First portable low-cost device developed for rapid detection of aflatoxins](#)
- [African Crop Science Society Conference, 15-18 January 2018, Stellenbosch University, Cape Town](#)

## PUBLICATIONS

- [Contribution of rangelands to household food basket and income in a pastoral area in Uganda \(Mbolanyi, Egeru & Mfitumukiza, 2016\)](#)
- [Occurrence of fusarium head blight of wheat and associated mycotoxins in Narok and Nakuru Counties, Kenya \(Wagacha et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Students' perceptions of the first-year experience in higher education: The case of Women's University in Africa \(Zvavanyange, 2016\)](#)
- [Enhancing wheat productivity, end-use quality and value chain through community action research in Northern Ethiopia \(Dereje, 2016\)](#)
- [Genetic diversity and heterotic grouping of the core set of southern African and temperate maize \(Zea mays L\) Inbred lines using SNP markers \(Chanda et al, 2016\)](#)
- [Milk production and caprine mastitis occurrence in the production stage of the Gaborone region goat milk value chain \(Mugabe, 2015\)](#)



## OPPORTUNITIES

### Grants and Awards:

- NEPAD-SANBio/BioFISA II Programme call for [seed grants](#) and [flagship projects](#) on innovative technologies in animal and human health. Open only to SADC member countries. **Deadline: 31 August 2016**
- [African Union Research Grants 2016](#). **Extended deadline: 31 August, 2016**
- [Cartier Women's Initiative Awards 2016](#). An international business plan competition to support projects by women entrepreneurs. **Deadline: 31 August, 2016**
- [IPNI Science Award 2016](#) for an agricultural scientist with outstanding achievements in research, extension, or education on management of plant nutrients. **Nomination deadline: 30 September, 2016**
- [Borlaug Global Rust Initiative \(BGRI\) Award for Women in Wheat Research 2016](#). The award will help cover costs of attending the BGRI workshop and a training at CIMMYT, Mexico. **Deadline: 30 October 2016**
- [Farming by satellite Prize 2016](#). A competition for students and young people across Europe and Africa on using satellite technologies to improve agriculture and the environment. **Deadline: 30 October 2016**
- WIOMSA Marine Research Grants Programme. Supports young scientists to turn their ideas into research projects and present research results at various fora. **Deadline: September 2016 for research projects**. Applications for travel grants can be submitted anytime
- **(New)** [The Africa Biosciences Challenge Fund 2016/2017](#) for scientists employed within African National Agricultural Research Systems. Applications will be accepted on an on-going basis **until 30th June 2017**
- [NEPAD-SANBio mobility grants to support regional and international travel and accommodation for individuals in the Biosciences field](#). **Deadline: Open till December 2018**

### Scholarships and courses:

- **(New)** The Partnership for African Social and Governance Research (PASGR) invites applications for [six professional development courses in research design and methods](#). **Deadline: 24 July, 2016**
- **(New)** [Ideas Matter Doctoral Fellowships for West Africa](#). Priority will be given to research projects focusing on women, technology and entrepreneurship. **Deadline: 30 July, 2016**
- **(New)** [IWC Master of Integrated Water Management at University of Queensland, Australia](#). Three scholarships available for international candidates enrolling in 2017. **Deadline: 1 August, 2016**
- **(New)** [Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships 2016](#). For researchers to diversify their competence through advanced training, international and intersectoral mobility. **Deadline: 14 September, 2016**.
- **(New)** [Linking research to inclusive development for food security -Facing rural innovation challenges](#). An ICRA course. **Deadline for self-funded participants: 15 September 2016**.

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- **(New)** [TWAS Fellowships for Research and Advanced Training](#). 3-12 month fellowships for young scientists in developing countries. **Deadline: 1 October, 2016.**
- **(New)** [German Academic Exchange Service \(DAAD\) postgraduate scholarships 2017-2018](#) for study of development-related subjects at German universities. **Deadlines vary by course.**
- [Leadership Program for Agricultural Research and Development \(LEPARD\)](#), 24-28 October 2016, Kenya. The course will be delivered at a fee and spots will be filled on a first come-first-served basis.
- [METEGA mobility scholarships for staff exchange](#). **Deadline: 31 January, 2018**
- [Nestlé Foundation grants](#) for research in human nutrition in low-income and lower middle-income countries. Support includes grants for Masters and PhD projects. **Applications accepted all year round**

## Scholarship and Courses:

- **(New)** [Free e-learning courses on Scientific and Technical Writing, Knowledge Sharing for Development and Strategic Approaches to Information](#) (available in English and French)
- [E-learning course: Introduction to Sustainable Consumption and Production in Africa](#). Fellowships available for participants working in the public sector, academia or NGOs. **Deadline: 24 August 2015**
- **(New)** [ILRI Graduate Fellowship: Greening Livestock MSc Fellowship](#). The fellowship offers a one year stipend and operating budget, but will not cover coursework and university fees. **Deadline: 30 August 2016**
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## Calls for papers:

- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for short, extended abstracts and posters/exhibitions](#) for the 5th African Higher Education Week & RUFORUM Biennial Conference 2016. **Extended deadline: 31 August 2016**
- **(RUFORUM call)** [Call for manuscripts: African Journal for Rural Development](#). Regular articles, short communications and reviews accepted. **Deadline: Open**
- [Call for papers for a special issue of The African Journal of Management](#). The issue will focus on Agribusiness Management in Africa. **Deadline: 31 August 2016**
- [Call for abstracts for 2nd Agriculture and Climate Change Conference](#), 26 - 28 March 2017, Spain. **Deadline: 17 October 2016**

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